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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains the results of a survey conducted in July 1985 in conjunction with the monthly Population Survey. The survey, the fifteenth in the series, compared usual residence with that twelve months ago, to determine the number and characteristics of movers and non-movers. Data was also collected on duration of stay at usual residence and reasons for changing usual residence.

2. The fifteen surveys in this series have covered the twelve month periods ending 30 April 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973 and 1974, 31 December 1974, 31 January 1977, 30 September 1978, 30 June 1979, 30 June 1980, 31 May 1981, 30 June 1982, 1983 and 1984 and for the present publication, 30 June 1985.

3. The Censuses of Population and Housing of June 1971, 1976 and 1981 also contained questions about change of residence. In 1971, the question related to movement during the preceding five years; in 1976 and 1981 information was obtained about movement in the preceding twelve months as well as five years. For Census information ring Fred Dawes, Canberra (062) 52 5848 or our State office, or write to the address shown above.

4. Alternative statistics of interstate changes of residence, which are incorporated in the official population estimates for Australia, the States and Territories, are derived from records of interstate transfers of family allowance payments and enrolments for electoral purposes. For a detailed description of the method used in making these estimates see ABS Occasional Paper 1984/2 entitled *Postcensal Interstate Migration Estimates, 1966-1981*. These statistics are published in the *Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (3101.0).

The population survey

5. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 33,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information was obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday, 8 July.

6. The population survey sample is reselected every five years to allow data from the latest census of population and housing to be used to improve the efficiency of the population survey sample design. The latest reselection, which used data from the 1981 Census, was first used for the internal migration survey in 1983.

Scope and definitions

7. The survey is designed to include all persons aged fifteen years and over except:

(a) members of the permanent defence forces;

(b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;

(c) overseas visitors in Australia;

(d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia;

(e) boarding school pupils, some patients in hospitals and sanatoria, inmates of gaols, reformatories, etc.; and

(f) persons with no place of usual residence at 30 June 1984 and/or 30 June 1985.

8. For the purposes of the survey, persons were classified as having moved if the address of their usual place of residence was different from that twelve months earlier. Persons whose usual residence was at the same address on both dates, but who moved away and returned during this period, were not counted as movers. No attempt has been made to separately enumerate children under 1 year of age who, by definition, could not have changed usual residence.

9. For the first time the 1982 survey recognised that people do not necessarily have a usual place of residence. Those who had no usual residence at either or both dates are excluded from the published data for the 1982 and subsequent surveys. The statistics shown for these surveys are therefore not strictly comparable with those for earlier surveys. Nevertheless, the exclusion has had minimal effect on the mobility rates. The number of persons who were in Australia at both dates but who had no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year was estimated to be 28.5 thousand in 1981/82, 59.3 thousand in 1982/83, 60.5 thousand in 1983/84 and 53.9 thousand in 1984/85.

10. All figures contained in the tables in this publication relate to persons who were in Australia at both the beginning and end of the survey year. Information about persons whose usual residence was overseas at the beginning of the annual period and in Australia at the end of the period is shown in the Appendix.

11. The only survey in this series prior to 1979 to seek information about the usual addresses of children under 15 was that of May 1974. However, in the 1979 survey, the number of children in each family group was ascertained. It was therefore possible to make estimates of the number of dependants under 15 whose parents or guardians changed residence. For subsequent surveys the same information has been obtained and the estimates adjusted to make the estimated number of dependent children in each age group agree with independent estimates of children. The estimates are therefore the number of children who would have changed residence if:

(a) children residing in private dwellings shared the movement characteristics of their parents or guardians (usually the father); and

- (b) children not residing in private dwellings shared the assumed movement characteristics of children in private dwellings. The resultant estimates are shown in Tables 1-4.

Results for metropolitan/non-metropolitan areas and other regions

12. In some tables changes of usual residence are shown in terms of movement within metropolitan areas or between metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas. Estimates for metropolitan areas relate to persons residing within the boundaries of the capital city statistical divisions. Non-metropolitan areas comprise all statistical divisions outside the capital city boundaries. The delimitation of these capital city statistical divisions is explained in Australian Bureau of Statistics, *1981 Census: Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas and Urban Centres* (2401.0-2408.0). The 1983, 1984 and 1985 surveys were the first in this series to classify the Canberra Statistical Division (which comprises the whole of the Australian Capital Territory) and the Darwin Statistical Division as metropolitan areas. Comparability with previous surveys of estimates at the metropolitan/non-metropolitan level is therefore affected.

13. For the purposes of the 1985 survey, Australia is divided into 52 regions which correspond, in whole or in part to individual or groups of statistical divisions. Internal migration data from the 1984 and 1985 surveys can be made available for these regions on request. In previous surveys limited small-area data were compiled based on groupings of postcode areas or local government areas. These groupings differed from survey to survey and did not necessarily correspond to the current 52 regions.

Estimation

14. Survey estimates relating to persons aged 15 and over are calculated in such a way as to conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population (excluding persons in institutions) aged 15 and over by State, area, age and sex. Estimates for children under 15 are similarly constrained, except that since the survey does not record their sex, they are made to conform to an independently estimated population aged under 15 by State, area and age only. These independent estimates (benchmarks) are necessarily derived from incomplete information about population changes (births, deaths, internal and overseas migration) and can differ from estimates of the population published by the ABS. Survey estimates have not been revised for the small amendments of population benchmarks arising when final data of births, deaths and migration become available. Nor have the survey results for previous years been revised to take account of major revisions of population estimates made retrospectively.

Mobility rates

15. For this publication mobility rates are calculated by relating the number of persons who change their place of

residence to the population of movers and non-movers according to place of residence at the survey date. Rates of this kind are more commonly expressed in relation to the population at the beginning of the period or at the mid-point of the period, or the mean population. The populations at the survey date have been chosen as denominator to conform to the retrospective nature of the survey and to avoid any bias which might arise from comparing data from different sources.

Reliability of the estimates

16. Since the estimates in this statement are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 30 per cent have not been shown as the degree of sampling variability would seriously detract from their value for most reasonable uses. Although in some cases figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable. More information on this topic, together with a table showing estimated standard errors is given in the Technical note at the end of this publication.

17. Standard errors in respect of net gains or losses are greater than those for one-way flows. Net migration (inflow minus outflow) for a particular area is generally a small fraction of total gross flows and it has a relatively high sampling error which affects the accuracy of the estimates. This is particularly the case when net migration is derived from two gross flows of small magnitude such as interstate flows of the smaller States and the two Territories. Net migration figures from this survey are therefore inadequate as measures of the volume of net gain or loss of population through migration. They only provide broad indicators of long term trends over a period of time.

18. Differences between survey results on interstate migration and data from alternative sources cannot always be explained by standard errors. That is, the differences are not always due solely to collecting information from occupants of only a sample of dwellings. Other possible causes are the effects of different definitions and the scope of the survey. The exclusion of certain persons and the definitions of a mover, usual residence, etc. could be expected to affect the results of the survey.

Related publications

19. Users may also wish to refer to the following ABS publications which are available on request:

Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly (3101.0)

Internal Migration in Australia by D.T. Rowland, Census Monograph, Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Department of Demography, Australian National University, 1979 (3409.0)

Postcensal Interstate Migration Estimates 1966-1981 by O. B. Di Iulio, ABS Occasional Paper 1984/2 released in April 1984.

Interstate migration, Australia — Census of Population and Housing, 30 June 1981 (3411.0)

20. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in

the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- ... not applicable
- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses

21. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Rates of residential change

The number of people in Australia who changed their place of usual residence during the year ended 30 June 1985 was 2,544,600. This is 167 per thousand population and marginally lower than for the year ended 30 June 1984 when 2,548,200 persons or 168 per thousand population changed usual residence.

The following table presents the proportion of the population in each State that changed their usual residence in the twelve months preceding the surveys conducted in years 1979 to 1985. The proportion who move has generally been high in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia and low in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania.

PROPORTION OF THE POPULATION WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE: SURVEYS 1979 to 1985
(Per thousand)

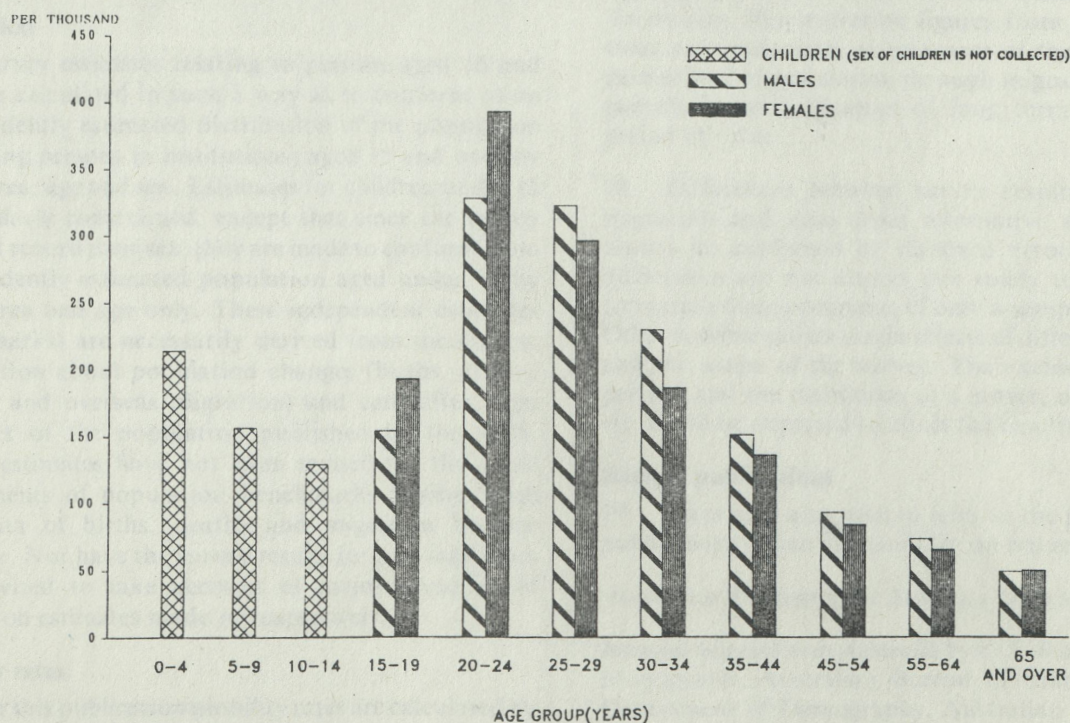
Year ended—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
June 1979	159	143	196	137	189	146	229	190	162
June 1980	162	142	214	147	200	163	281	158	167
May 1981	161	141	222	142	195	157	329	186	168
June 1982	144	134	223	152	191	131	367	166	161
June 1983	143	138	193	129	189	142	245	179	154
June 1984	152	154	208	151	211	154	282	176	168
June 1985	153	140	212	168	214	151	271	154	167

For the year ended 30 June 1985, South Australia experienced its highest level of mobility (168 per thousand) in the 1980's and the Australian Capital Territory its lowest (154 per thousand). The population in non-metropolitan areas continues to be more mobile than the metropolitan population.

Characteristics of movers

The pattern of higher mobility rates of the younger ages (20-29) and of the unemployed has continued. The highest mobility rate occurs amongst those aged 20-24 (361 movers per thousand population) followed by the 25-29 year olds (310 per thousand). The mobility of males is approximately the same in each of these age groups but females are more mobile in the 20-24 year group (394 per thousand) than in the 25-29 year group (297 per thousand). In the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups females are more mobile than males; for all higher ages they are less mobile. The mobility rate for children 0-4 years of age is considerably higher than for those aged 5-9 and 10-14. This indicates that parents are more likely to move before their children reach school age and that their mobility declines as the children's schooling progresses. Mobility rates by age are shown in the following diagram.

DIAGRAM 1. ALL PERSONS : MOBILITY RATES(A) BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985



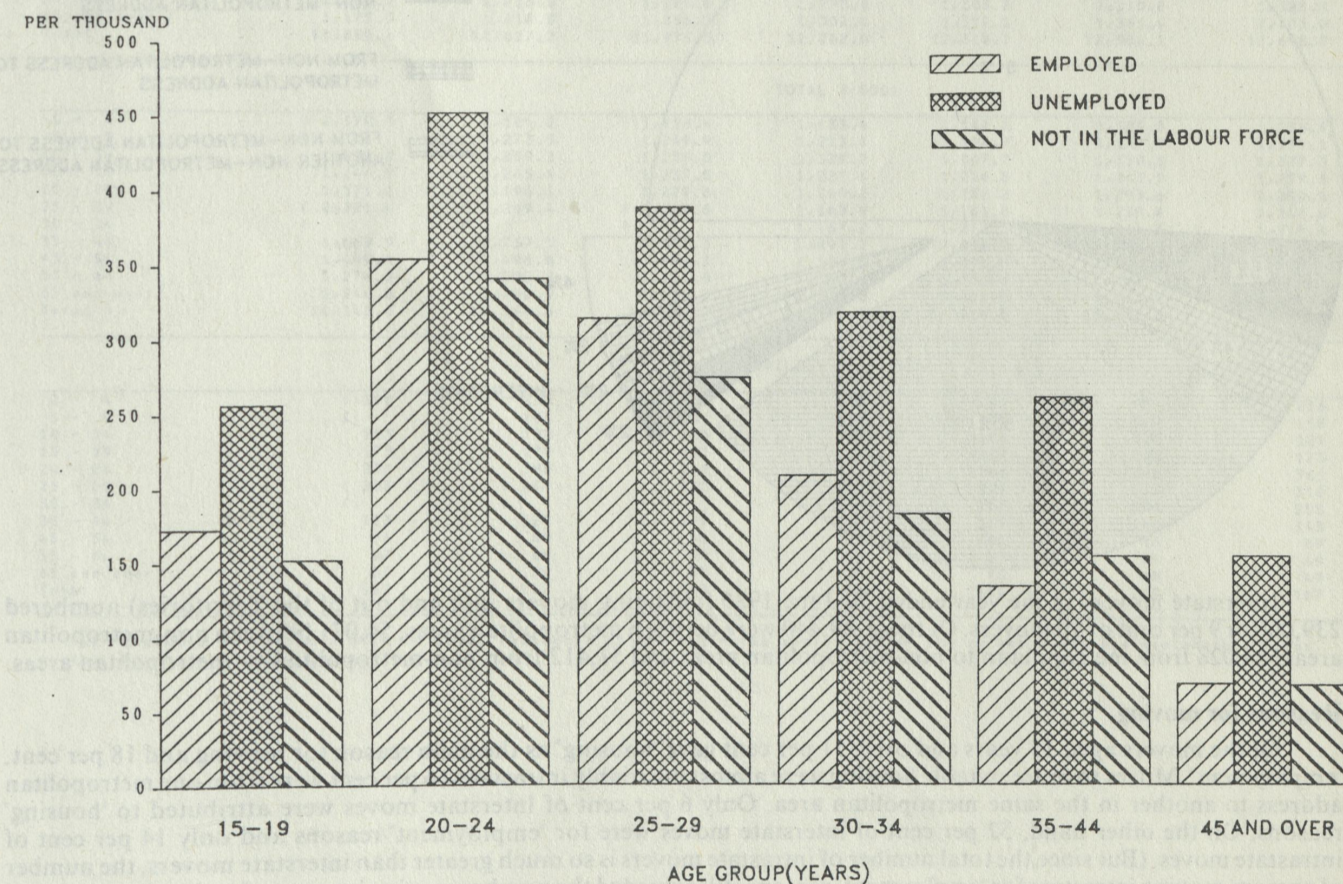
(A) MOVERS PER THOUSAND POPULATION OF THE SAME AGE GROUP

The mobility rate of the unemployed is substantially higher than that of the population as a whole, 305 per thousand compared with 165 per thousand. It should be noted that part of this large difference is due to the difference in the age composition of the two groups. The unemployed group is much younger and to the extent that the younger population tends to be more mobile, the mobility rate for the unemployed is increased. However, analysis by age groups shows that mobility rates for the unemployed are higher in all age groups.

Mobility rates among the younger unemployed are particularly high. In the 20-24 year age group, the rate is 419 per thousand for males and 502 per thousand for females. In the 25-29 year group it is 393 per thousand for males and 386 per thousand for females.

(In interpreting these statistics and the following diagram, note that employment status is ascertained at the time of the survey i.e. at 30 June 1985, and not at the time of moving. For details of people who moved to look for work or for other employment reasons, see below under the heading 'Reasons for moving.')

DIAGRAM 2. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE AS A PROPORTION OF POPULATION OF THE SAME AGE GROUP AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

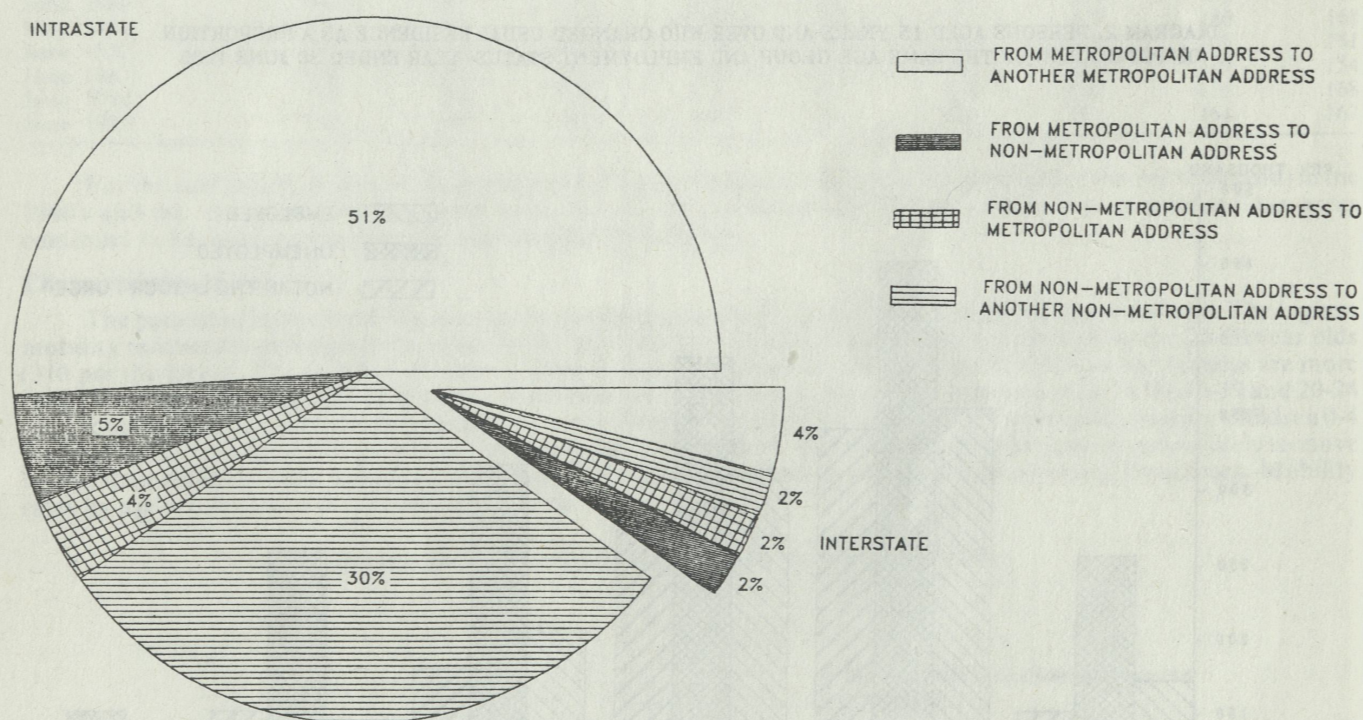


People born outside Australia who are recent arrivals in this country are more likely to change their place of usual residence than the Australian-born. The mobility rate for the Australian-born aged 15 years and over was 169 movers per thousand population, whereas for the overseas-born who arrived after 1974 the rate was 286. Earlier arrivals had similar mobility patterns to the Australian-born population. The mobility rate for the overseas-born population as a whole, regardless of year of arrival, was 162.

Types of moves

The following diagram shows that intrastate movers (moving within a State or Territory) made up 91 per cent of all movers. Of all intrastate movers 56 per cent moved within any of the eight metropolitan areas, 33 per cent within the non-metropolitan areas, and 11 per cent between metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas. The movement from metropolitan areas to non-metropolitan areas exceeded the opposite flow, 129,000 against 108,000. Whereas the metropolitan areas were recording a combined net gain from intrastate migration in the 1970's the situation is now reversed. Net losses have been recorded each year since 1979, ranging from 8,000 to 26,000. The net loss in 1985 was 21,000 persons despite a reversal in the trend in Western Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory where Perth, Hobart and Darwin experienced net gains.

DIAGRAM 3. PROPORTION OF PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE: TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985



Interstate movers in the year ended 30 June 1985 (including movers into and out of the Territories) numbered 239,000 or 9 per cent of all movers. Of these, 89,440 were between metropolitan areas, 54,071 between non-metropolitan areas, 44,028 from metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas and 51,412 from non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas.

Reasons for moving

Of the movers aged 15 years and over, 51 per cent gave 'housing' as the main reason for moving and 18 per cent, 'employment'. Moves to more suitable housing were almost invariably intrastate—66 per cent were from one metropolitan address to another in the same metropolitan area. Only 6 per cent of interstate moves were attributed to 'housing' reasons. On the other hand, 52 per cent of interstate moves were for 'employment' reasons and only 14 per cent of intrastate moves. (But since the total number of intrastate movers is so much greater than interstate movers, the number of persons moving intrastate for 'employment' reasons still exceeded the number moving interstate for the same reasons.) 159,000 people or 8 per cent of all movers, attributed their move to a change in marital status.

Duration of stay at usual residence of 30 June 1985

Although the duration of stay at a person's place of usual residence is age-selective and, for the overseas-born, dependent on year of arrival in Australia, it can be used as a good indicator of internal migration over the long term. 74 per cent of people aged 15 years and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 15 years—that is they had moved at least once during the past 15 years. In the Northern Territory the figure was 93 per cent—higher than any other State or Territory. In the Australian Capital Territory it was 79 per cent, and in Western Australia, 81 per cent. Looking at the shorter term, 44 per cent of people aged 15 and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 5 years. The corresponding figure for the Northern Territory was 70 per cent, and for Queensland and Western Australia 50 per cent. The least mobile populations, both in the longer and shorter term, were in Tasmania and South Australia.

TABLE 1. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Age group (years)	Year ended -						
	30 June 1979	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)
CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)							
0 - 4	(490.7	263.2	252.5	248.5	244.8	274.0	256.8
5 - 9	(	205.4	201.0	185.0	159.4	191.4	183.7
10 - 14	140.5	151.6	158.8	164.0	148.0	166.4	171.0
15 - 19	215.6	223.0	226.3	225.3	204.8	228.0	218.5
20 - 24	433.3	454.7	453.0	454.2	469.8	460.4	462.3
25 - 29	(517.9	(576.7	(578.0	334.6	336.3	386.9	386.3
30 - 34	(	(	(	231.5	227.7	247.8	252.9
35 - 44	206.1	217.5	231.6	233.1	242.8	289.5	306.9
45 - 54	125.8	120.1	134.5	120.5	119.1	130.0	135.1
55 - 64	85.7	88.9	106.0	84.5	78.4	105.2	98.0
65 and over	68.7	76.0	79.1	67.8	62.9	68.6	73.0
Total	2,284.3	2,377.3	2,420.7	2,348.9	2,293.9	2,548.2	2,544.6
DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)							
0 - 4	(2,087.8	858.0	863.9	880.0	917.5	911.8	929.6
5 - 9	(	1,068.0	1,048.9	1,028.1	1,039.3	986.5	975.4
10 - 14	1,098.7	1,107.7	1,130.2	1,165.2	1,219.7	1,184.4	1,156.3
15 - 19	1,029.3	1,022.4	1,011.5	996.1	1,022.0	1,015.5	1,041.0
20 - 24	737.8	741.6	776.6	806.0	812.5	833.2	818.1
25 - 29	(1,703.4	(1,692.7	(1,729.8	829.3	827.5	851.7	861.5
30 - 34	(	(	(	935.6	989.5	966.5	962.6
35 - 44	1,463.9	1,520.0	1,569.5	1,660.1	1,793.2	1,782.8	1,834.2
45 - 54	1,373.5	1,376.7	1,361.8	1,383.5	1,372.8	1,377.4	1,388.4
55 - 64	1,189.2	1,213.3	1,225.6	1,275.6	1,305.2	1,310.8	1,328.1
65 and over	1,175.3	1,216.9	1,256.3	1,302.4	1,319.1	1,363.4	1,403.0
Total	11,859.1	11,817.3	11,974.0	12,262.0	12,618.2	12,584.1	12,698.2
TOTAL ('000)							
0 - 4	(2,578.5	1,121.2	1,116.4	1,128.4	1,162.2	1,185.8	1,186.4
5 - 9	(	1,273.5	1,249.9	1,213.1	1,198.7	1,177.8	1,159.1
10 - 14	1,239.2	1,259.3	1,289.0	1,329.2	1,367.7	1,350.8	1,327.3
15 - 19	1,244.9	1,245.4	1,237.8	1,221.4	1,226.8	1,243.5	1,259.5
20 - 24	1,171.2	1,196.4	1,229.6	1,260.2	1,282.2	1,293.6	1,280.5
25 - 29	(2,221.4	(2,269.4	(2,307.8	1,163.9	1,163.8	1,238.6	1,247.8
30 - 34	(	(	(	1,167.2	1,217.1	1,214.3	1,215.6
35 - 44	1,669.9	1,737.5	1,801.1	1,893.2	2,036.0	2,072.3	2,141.1
45 - 54	1,499.4	1,496.8	1,496.3	1,504.0	1,491.9	1,507.4	1,523.5
55 - 64	1,274.9	1,302.2	1,331.6	1,360.1	1,383.6	1,416.1	1,426.1
65 and over	1,244.0	1,292.9	1,335.3	1,370.2	1,382.0	1,431.9	1,476.0
Total	14,143.4	14,194.6	14,394.7	14,610.9	14,912.0	15,132.3	15,242.8
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
0 - 4	(190	235	226	220	211	231	216
5 - 9	(	161	161	152	133	162	158
10 - 14	113	120	123	123	108	123	129
15 - 19	173	179	183	184	167	183	173
20 - 24	370	380	368	360	366	356	361
25 - 29	(233	(254	(250	287	289	312	310
30 - 34	(	(	(	198	187	204	208
35 - 44	123	125	129	123	119	140	143
45 - 54	84	80	90	80	80	86	89
55 - 64	67	68	80	62	57	74	69
65 and over	55	59	59	50	46	48	49
Total	162	167	168	161	154	168	167

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.
 (b) Movers per 1,000 population.

TABLE 2. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 30 JUNE 1985, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Age group (years)	State of usual residence at 30 June 1985 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)									
0 - 4	84.5	49.2	53.7	22.8	31.6	7.9	3.8	3.3	256.8
5 - 9	51.9	39.2	42.8	15.9	23.3	4.9	3.3	2.4	183.7
10 - 14	48.6	40.3	38.6	15.3	19.6	4.1	2.6	1.9	171.0
15 - 19	65.4	46.5	49.5	21.0	24.0	5.5	2.5	4.0	218.5
20 - 24	148.8	102.4	90.5	41.1	53.1	12.5	6.4	7.6	462.3
25 - 29	129.7	87.5	68.7	32.1	45.2	9.1	7.4	6.5	386.3
30 - 34	79.9	57.9	47.5	22.3	29.8	7.0	4.6	3.9	252.9
35 - 44	94.9	73.3	62.9	26.4	33.7	7.1	3.7	4.9	306.9
45 - 54	45.6	24.2	32.9	12.3	13.8	3.1	1.6	1.5	135.1
55 - 64	33.8	23.6	18.8	7.9	9.7	2.8	*	*	98.0
65 and over	26.2	14.2	17.1	6.6	5.8	2.0	*	*	73.0
Total	809.3	558.2	523.0	223.8	289.7	65.9	37.3	37.2	2,544.6
DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)									
0 - 4	322.1	247.9	148.2	75.3	79.5	27.7	11.0	18.1	929.6
5 - 9	339.5	256.7	154.9	78.3	86.2	28.7	11.3	19.6	975.4
10 - 14	400.6	302.4	190.4	93.0	101.6	34.3	11.9	22.1	1,156.3
15 - 19	352.1	290.2	159.2	88.9	92.3	31.4	9.6	17.3	1,041.0
20 - 24	288.5	239.0	113.4	70.0	62.8	25.3	5.7	13.4	818.1
25 - 29	297.6	236.9	131.9	76.7	71.0	27.1	6.8	13.6	861.5
30 - 34	335.9	258.8	145.2	82.6	86.4	26.8	9.4	17.7	962.6
35 - 44	653.1	480.4	279.1	156.1	162.4	51.4	17.7	34.0	1,834.2
45 - 54	498.4	380.6	201.9	119.5	119.8	38.2	8.9	21.1	1,388.4
55 - 64	483.0	358.9	199.0	126.9	101.4	37.0	5.5	16.4	1,328.1
65 and over	514.7	372.2	219.9	139.4	100.8	42.2	2.7	11.1	1,403.0
Total	4,485.5	3,424.0	1,943.2	1,106.5	1,064.2	369.9	100.4	204.4	12,698.2
TOTAL ('000)									
0 - 4	406.5	297.0	201.9	98.1	111.1	35.5	14.8	21.5	1,186.4
5 - 9	391.4	295.9	197.7	94.3	109.5	33.6	14.6	22.1	1,159.1
10 - 14	449.2	342.7	229.0	108.3	121.1	38.4	14.5	24.0	1,327.3
15 - 19	417.6	336.7	208.7	109.9	116.3	36.9	12.1	21.3	1,259.5
20 - 24	437.3	341.4	204.0	111.0	115.9	37.8	12.1	21.0	1,280.5
25 - 29	427.3	324.4	200.6	108.8	116.1	36.2	14.2	20.1	1,247.8
30 - 34	415.8	316.7	192.7	104.9	116.2	33.7	14.0	21.6	1,215.6
35 - 44	748.0	553.8	342.0	182.5	196.1	58.5	21.4	38.9	2,141.1
45 - 54	544.0	404.8	234.8	131.7	133.7	41.3	10.5	22.6	1,523.5
55 - 64	516.8	382.5	217.8	134.9	111.1	39.8	6.2	17.0	1,426.1
65 and over	541.0	386.3	237.0	146.0	106.6	44.1	3.3	11.6	1,476.0
Total	5,294.9	3,982.2	2,466.3	1,330.3	1,353.9	435.9	137.7	241.6	15,242.8
MOBILITY RATES (a)									
0 - 4	208	166	266	233	285	221	258	156	216
5 - 9	133	132	216	169	213	146	225	110	158
10 - 14	108	118	169	141	162	106	181	80	129
15 - 19	157	138	237	191	207	150	208	188	173
20 - 24	340	300	444	370	458	331	530	360	361
25 - 29	304	270	343	295	389	252	524	325	310
30 - 34	192	183	246	213	257	207	328	181	208
35 - 44	127	132	184	145	172	121	171	126	143
45 - 54	84	60	140	93	103	75	157	67	89
55 - 64	65	62	86	59	87	70	*	*	69
65 and over	49	37	72	45	55	44	*	*	49
Total	153	140	212	168	214	151	271	154	167

(a) Movers per 1,000 State population.

TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985
('000)

Type of move	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
Moved within the same metropolitan area	422.6	353.1	168.5	126.9	165.4	22.1	14.7	23.3	1,296.5
Moved from metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	38.4	30.1	26.8	15.0	15.9	2.6	*	..	129.5
Interstate	36.2	31.5	19.4	12.9	11.8	2.3	6.2	13.2	133.5
Total	74.7	61.6	46.2	27.9	27.7	4.9	6.7	13.2	262.9
Moved to metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	24.7	28.6	21.9	10.5	18.7	3.1	*	..	108.4
Interstate	32.6	26.8	22.2	14.6	16.6	3.0	11.2	13.9	140.9
Total	57.2	55.4	44.0	25.1	35.3	6.0	12.3	13.9	249.3
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	264.5	104.4	248.5	52.2	68.2	29.2	4.2	..	771.2
Moved from non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	24.7	28.6	21.9	10.5	18.7	3.1	*	..	108.4
Interstate	43.6	15.8	28.5	4.3	4.1	4.8	4.3	..	105.5
Total	68.3	44.4	50.3	14.8	22.8	7.9	5.4	..	213.9
Moved to non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	38.4	30.1	26.8	15.0	15.9	2.6	*	..	129.5
Interstate	26.6	15.1	35.2	4.6	5.0	6.0	5.6	..	98.1
Total	65.0	45.3	62.0	19.6	20.9	8.6	6.1	..	227.6
Total moved into State	59.1	42.0	57.4	19.2	21.6	8.9	16.9	13.9	239.0
Total moved out of State	79.9	47.3	47.9	17.2	15.9	7.1	10.5	13.2	239.0
Total moved within state	750.2	516.2	465.7	204.6	268.1	57.0	20.5	23.3	2,305.6

TABLE 4. ALL PERSONS WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

('000)

State of usual residence at 30 June 1985	State of usual residence at 30 June 1984 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
New South Wales	..	18.3	22.2	4.1	3.3	*	*	8.9	59.1
Victoria	19.8	..	11.3	4.0	3.4	*	*	*	42.0
Queensland	32.5	12.5	..	2.3	2.6	4.2	2.3	*	57.4
South Australia	5.5	4.0	3.6	..	1.7	*	3.5	*	19.2
Western Australia	6.9	5.6	3.6	3.7	..	*	*	*	21.6
Tasmania	2.7	1.5	2.9	0.9	0.8	..	*	*	8.9
Northern Territory	4.8	3.9	1.8	1.9	3.0	*	..	1.5	16.9
Australian Capital Territory	7.8	1.5	2.5	*	1.0	*	*	..	13.9
Total Australia	79.9	47.3	47.9	17.2	15.9	7.1	10.5	13.2	239.0

TABLE 5. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Type of move	Year ended -						
	30 June 1979	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)
MALES ('000)							
Changed usual residence	831.6	879.7	912.2	878.7	878.4	955.5	965.9
Did not change usual residence	4,273.1	4,337.2	4,408.2	4,536.4	4,668.0	4,673.6	4,739.0
Total	5,104.7	5,217.0	5,320.4	5,415.1	5,546.4	5,629.1	5,705.0
FEMALES ('000)							
Changed usual residence	821.5	877.3	896.2	872.8	863.3	960.9	967.2
Did not change usual residence	4,399.4	4,446.4	4,522.8	4,652.3	4,773.7	4,827.8	4,897.9
Total	5,221.0	5,323.6	5,419.1	5,525.1	5,637.0	5,788.7	5,865.0
PERSONS ('000)							
Changed usual residence	1,653.1	1,757.0	1,808.5	1,751.5	1,741.7	1,916.4	1,933.1
Did not change usual residence	8,672.5	8,783.6	8,931.0	9,188.7	9,441.7	9,501.4	9,636.9
Total	10,325.6	10,540.6	10,739.5	10,940.2	11,183.4	11,417.8	11,570.0
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
Males	163	169	171	162	158	170	169
Females	157	165	165	158	153	166	165
Persons	160	167	168	160	156	168	167

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.
 (b) Movers per 1,000 population.

TABLE 6. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : PLACE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 30 JUNE 1985 BY CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

('000)

Place of usual residence at 30 June 1985	Changed usual residence			Did not change usual residence			Total			Mobility rates(a)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
New South Wales												
Metropolitan	185.9	195.9	381.8	1,042.0	1,107.3	2,149.3	1,227.9	1,303.2	2,531.1	151	150	151
Ex-metropolitan	123.7	118.9	242.6	634.8	639.2	1,274.0	758.5	758.2	1,516.7	163	157	160
Total	309.6	314.8	624.4	1,676.8	1,746.5	3,423.3	1,986.4	2,061.3	4,047.7	156	153	154
Victoria												
Metropolitan	154.5	159.8	314.3	922.0	949.4	1,871.4	1,076.4	1,109.2	2,185.7	144	144	144
Ex-metropolitan	57.9	57.3	115.3	365.7	379.9	745.6	423.6	437.3	860.9	137	131	134
Total	212.4	217.1	429.5	1,287.6	1,329.4	2,617.0	1,500.1	1,546.5	3,046.5	142	140	141
Queensland												
Metropolitan	78.2	84.1	162.3	338.1	359.7	697.8	416.3	443.8	860.1	188	190	189
Ex-metropolitan	117.8	107.8	225.6	375.6	376.3	751.9	493.4	484.1	977.5	239	223	231
Total	196.0	191.9	387.9	713.8	735.9	1,449.7	909.8	927.9	1,837.6	215	207	211
South Australia												
Metropolitan	57.9	60.4	118.3	304.7	328.2	633.0	362.6	388.6	751.2	160	155	157
Ex-metropolitan	26.7	24.8	51.5	115.5	111.5	227.0	142.3	136.2	278.5	188	182	185
Total	84.6	85.1	169.8	420.3	439.7	860.0	504.9	524.9	1,029.7	168	162	165
Western Australia												
Metropolitan	74.4	76.6	151.0	280.1	296.2	576.3	354.5	372.8	727.3	210	205	208
Ex-metropolitan	34.6	29.6	64.2	118.5	102.1	220.6	153.1	131.8	284.8	226	225	225
Total	109.0	106.2	215.2	398.6	398.3	796.9	507.6	504.5	1,012.1	215	211	213
Tasmania												
Metropolitan	11.0	10.7	21.7	53.4	57.6	111.1	64.5	68.3	132.8	171	156	164
Ex-metropolitan	13.9	13.5	27.4	83.7	84.5	168.1	97.6	97.9	195.5	143	137	140
Total	25.0	24.1	49.1	137.1	142.1	279.2	162.1	166.2	328.3	154	145	150
Northern Territory												
Metropolitan	11.8	9.0	20.8	22.3	22.7	45.0	34.1	31.7	65.8	346	284	316
Ex-metropolitan	3.8	3.1	6.8	11.8	9.4	21.2	15.5	12.5	28.0	241	248	244
Total	15.5	12.1	27.6	34.1	32.1	66.2	49.6	44.2	93.9	313	274	294
Australian Capital Territory												
Metropolitan	13.8	15.7	29.5	70.7	73.8	144.5	84.6	89.5	174.1	164	176	170
Ex-metropolitan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	13.8	15.7	29.5	70.7	73.8	144.5	84.6	89.5	174.1	164	176	170
Australia												
Metropolitan	587.5	612.1	1,199.7	3,033.4	3,195.0	6,228.4	3,621.0	3,807.1	7,428.1	162	161	162
Ex-metropolitan	378.4	355.0	733.4	1,705.6	1,702.9	3,408.5	2,084.0	2,057.9	4,141.9	182	173	177
Total	965.9	967.2	1,933.1	4,739.0	4,897.9	9,636.9	5,705.0	5,865.0	11,570.0	169	165	167

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the area.

TABLE 7. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : AGE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Age group (years)	Employment status(a)							
	Males				Females			
	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in the labour force	Total	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in the labour force	Total
NUMBER ('000)								
15 - 19	48.3	17.7	32.2	98.3	56.9	17.3	46.0	120.2
20 - 24	167.7	27.5	14.6	209.8	168.6	22.7	61.3	252.5
25 - 29	175.8	16.5	8.6	200.9	107.9	8.8	68.7	185.4
30 - 34	119.9	12.2	7.3	139.3	62.0	6.2	45.4	113.6
35 - 44	140.9	11.9	10.0	162.8	75.3	8.7	60.1	144.2
45 - 54	55.4	6.2	10.8	72.4	25.4	3.5	33.9	62.7
55 - 64	21.9	3.7	25.7	51.2	6.9	*	39.9	46.7
65 and over	*	*	29.4	31.2	*	*	40.8	41.8
Total	731.7	95.7	138.5	965.9	504.0	67.2	396.0	967.2
MOBILITY RATES(c)								
15 - 19	157	240	126	154	191	277	176	193
20 - 24	324	419	260	328	391	502	370	394
25 - 29	317	393	335	323	311	386	269	297
30 - 34	219	368	287	230	192	252	172	186
35 - 44	143	274	193	151	121	247	149	136
45 - 54	83	182	146	93	70	210	92	84
55 - 64	54	117	94	73	48	*	70	65
65 and over	*	*	51	49	*	*	50	50
Total	181	296	104	169	198	319	127	165

(a) Employment status at the time of the survey.

(b) Includes those persons looking for their first job and those looking for part-time work.

(c) Movers per 1,000 population of the same sex, age group, and employment status.

TABLE 8. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : AGE BY SEX BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

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Age group (years)	Reason for moving -						Total
	Housing	Employment	Transport	Marital status change	Retirement	Other	
MALES							
15 - 19	39.0	16.1	3.2	*	*	38.1	98.3
20 - 24	95.5	42.0	5.7	21.3	*	44.9	209.8
25 - 29	107.0	42.3	3.5	18.8	*	28.5	200.9
30 - 34	77.7	30.4	*	8.6	*	20.8	139.3
35 - 44	90.8	37.0	3.0	11.5	*	20.5	162.8
45 - 54	37.1	16.4	*	3.3	*	13.8	72.4
55 - 64	28.6	4.4	*	*	6.3	9.4	51.2
65 and over	18.1	*	*	*	*	9.4	31.2
Total	493.7	188.9	18.9	67.8	11.2	185.3	965.9
FEMALES							
15 - 19	50.0	17.0	3.0	10.4	*	39.7	120.2
20 - 24	112.3	40.7	6.4	37.3	*	55.7	252.5
25 - 29	108.8	33.6	*	13.8	*	26.8	185.4
30 - 34	62.5	20.7	*	9.3	*	20.0	113.6
35 - 44	79.1	29.8	3.1	12.4	*	19.6	144.2
45 - 54	33.2	10.2	*	4.9	*	11.4	62.7
55 - 64	29.3	*	*	*	5.8	8.5	46.7
65 and over	21.6	*	*	*	*	14.6	41.8
Total	496.7	154.7	17.4	91.2	10.9	196.2	967.2
PERSONS							
15 - 19	89.0	33.1	6.1	11.8	*	77.9	218.5
20 - 24	207.8	82.7	12.1	58.6	*	100.6	462.3
25 - 29	215.8	75.9	5.7	32.6	*	55.3	386.3
30 - 34	140.1	51.1	3.1	17.9	*	40.7	252.9
35 - 44	169.9	66.9	6.0	23.9	*	40.1	306.9
45 - 54	70.3	26.6	*	8.2	3.1	25.1	135.1
55 - 64	57.9	6.3	*	3.0	12.1	17.9	98.0
65 and over	39.7	*	*	3.1	4.6	24.0	73.0
Total	990.4	343.7	36.3	159.0	22.1	381.6	1,933.1

TABLE 9. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS
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Type of move	Year ended -						
	30 June 1979	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)
MALES							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	418.5	439.6	460.9	426.0	466.4	505.6	494.1
Within non-metropolitan area	233.2	256.8	268.6	263.1	243.4	279.8	292.0
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	43.8	49.5	49.4	42.2	41.2	46.2	47.6
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	40.7	39.7	36.0	41.3	39.2	38.6	42.1
Total	736.2	785.6	814.8	772.6	790.2	870.2	875.7
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	27.6	25.3	25.6	29.7	35.2	32.9	30.4
Between non-metropolitan areas	27.8	27.0	30.8	28.0	18.2	17.5	21.7
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	23.8	22.1	21.9	27.0	14.9	18.5	17.1
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	16.1	19.7	19.1	21.4	19.7	16.4	21.0
Total	95.3	94.1	97.4	106.1	88.0	85.3	90.2
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	446.1	464.9	486.5	455.7	501.7	538.5	524.5
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	261.0	283.8	299.4	291.1	261.5	297.3	313.8
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	67.5	71.6	71.3	69.3	56.1	64.8	64.6
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	56.9	59.4	55.1	62.7	58.9	54.9	63.1
Total	831.6	879.7	912.2	878.7	878.2	955.5	965.9
FEMALES							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	435.9	445.8	463.7	431.2	462.7	526.2	511.1
Within non-metropolitan area	218.3	251.5	251.4	249.0	241.0	268.4	269.5
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	42.9	47.4	45.6	46.8	39.4	44.8	49.6
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	40.6	41.1	39.1	43.5	35.6	41.0	40.8
Total	737.7	785.8	799.8	770.6	778.7	880.5	871.0
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	27.3	28.2	28.9	28.8	34.9	35.1	37.7
Between non-metropolitan areas	20.6	25.4	27.8	24.3	14.7	12.7	18.7
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	21.9	20.5	21.3	29.9	15.5	18.2	17.2
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	14.1	17.3	18.5	19.2	19.4	14.3	22.5
Total	83.9	91.4	96.5	102.2	84.5	80.4	96.1
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	463.1	474.1	492.6	460.0	497.6	561.3	548.7
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	238.9	277.0	279.2	273.3	255.7	281.1	288.2
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	64.8	67.8	66.9	76.7	55.0	63.1	66.8
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	54.7	58.4	57.6	62.7	55.1	55.4	63.4
Total	821.5	877.3	896.2	872.8	863.3	960.9	967.2
PERSONS							
Moved intrastate -							
Within metropolitan area	854.4	885.4	924.6	857.2	929.1	1,031.9	1,005.1
Within non-metropolitan area	451.5	508.4	520.0	512.1	484.3	548.2	561.6
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	86.7	96.9	95.0	89.1	80.7	91.1	97.2
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	81.3	80.8	75.0	84.8	74.8	79.6	82.9
Total	1,473.9	1,571.5	1,614.6	1,543.2	1,568.9	1,750.7	1,746.8
Moved interstate -							
Between metropolitan areas	54.9	53.5	54.4	58.4	70.1	68.0	68.1
Between non-metropolitan areas	48.4	52.4	58.6	52.4	32.8	30.2	40.4
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area	45.7	42.6	43.2	56.9	30.4	36.7	34.3
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area	30.3	37.1	37.7	40.6	39.1	30.7	43.5
Total	179.2	185.6	193.8	208.3	172.5	165.7	186.3
Total movement -							
Within or between metropolitan areas	909.2	938.9	979.0	915.6	999.2	1,099.8	1,073.2
Within or between non-metropolitan areas	499.9	560.8	578.6	564.5	517.2	578.4	602.0
From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas	132.4	139.5	138.2	146.0	111.1	127.8	131.4
From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas	111.6	117.8	112.7	125.4	114.0	110.3	126.5
Total	1,653.1	1,757.0	1,808.5	1,751.5	1,741.5	1,916.4	1,933.1

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

TABLE 10. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE,
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

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Type of move	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
AUSTRALIAN-BORN									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	225.2	185.5	96.6	69.2	74.5	14.9	7.8	14.1	687.8
Moved from metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	25.1	17.2	16.5	7.0	9.9	1.9	*	..	78.2
Interstate	18.7	17.2	12.0	6.5	6.2	*	3.7	7.5	73.5
Total	43.8	34.5	28.5	13.5	16.1	3.5	4.3	7.5	151.7
Moved to metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	15.7	18.3	14.7	6.1	10.0	2.1	*	..	67.7
Interstate	18.4	15.7	14.2	8.2	9.4	1.7	5.5	8.4	81.5
Total	34.1	34.0	28.9	14.4	19.4	3.8	6.2	8.4	149.2
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	167.8	76.2	155.1	30.4	39.5	19.7	1.9	..	490.7
Moved from non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	15.7	18.3	14.7	6.1	10.0	2.1	*	..	67.7
Interstate	26.9	11.3	19.2	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.4	..	69.9
Total	42.6	29.7	33.9	8.9	13.0	5.4	4.2	..	137.6
Moved to non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	25.1	17.2	16.5	7.0	9.9	1.9	*	..	78.2
Interstate	19.8	11.0	20.3	2.4	2.6	2.6	3.2	..	61.9
Total	44.9	28.2	36.8	9.4	12.5	4.5	3.7	..	140.1
OVERSEAS-BORN									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	110.3	85.9	30.0	30.2	49.8	2.2	4.3	4.7	317.4
Moved from metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	5.1	4.4	3.0	4.5	1.8	*	*	..	19.0
Interstate	7.2	8.0	4.8	2.6	3.2	*	*	2.1	28.8
Total	12.3	12.4	7.8	7.1	5.0	*	*	2.1	47.8
Moved to metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	3.3	*	2.8	2.0	3.8	*	*	..	15.2
Interstate	8.8	6.2	4.1	2.6	3.5	*	2.2	2.4	30.1
Total	12.1	8.9	6.8	4.5	7.3	0.9	2.5	2.4	45.3
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	22.8	4.9	24.7	6.1	9.9	1.9	*	..	70.9
Moved from non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	3.3	*	2.8	2.0	3.8	*	*	..	15.2
Interstate	5.4	*	5.3	*	*	*	*	..	14.1
Total	8.8	4.3	8.1	2.6	4.1	*	*	..	29.3
Moved to non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	5.1	4.4	3.0	4.5	1.8	*	*	..	19.0
Interstate	*	*	5.9	*	*	1.1	*	..	12.8
Total	7.1	5.9	8.9	5.6	2.3	1.3	*	..	31.8
ALL BIRTHPLACES									
Moved within the same metropolitan area	335.6	271.3	126.6	99.4	124.3	17.1	12.1	18.8	1,005.1
Moved from metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	30.2	21.7	19.6	11.5	11.7	2.1	*	..	97.2
Interstate	25.9	25.3	16.8	9.1	9.4	*	4.3	9.6	102.3
Total	56.1	46.9	36.3	20.6	21.0	4.0	4.8	9.6	199.5
Moved to metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	19.1	21.0	17.5	8.1	13.8	2.4	*	..	82.9
Interstate	27.2	21.9	18.2	10.8	12.9	2.3	7.6	10.8	111.6
Total	46.2	42.9	35.7	18.9	26.7	4.6	8.7	10.8	194.5
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	190.6	81.2	179.8	36.4	49.4	21.6	2.5	..	561.6
Moved from non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	19.1	21.0	17.5	8.1	13.8	2.4	*	..	82.9
Interstate	32.3	12.9	24.5	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.7	..	84.0
Total	51.4	33.9	42.0	11.5	17.1	6.1	4.8	..	166.9
Moved to non-metropolitan area -									
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	30.2	21.7	19.6	11.5	11.7	2.1	*	..	97.2
Interstate	21.8	12.5	26.2	3.6	3.1	3.7	3.8	..	74.7
Total	52.0	34.1	45.8	15.0	14.8	5.8	4.3	..	171.9

TABLE 11. METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES(a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Type of move	State of usual residence -							
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.
AUSTRALIAN-BORN								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	130	126	142	139	167	131	188	118
Moved from metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	14	12	24	14	22	17	*	..
Interstate	11	12	18	13	14	*	90	63
Total	25	23	42	27	36	31	102	63
Moved to metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	9	12	22	12	22	19	*	..
Interstate	11	11	21	16	21	15	128	67
Total	20	23	42	28	43	34	146	67
OVERSEAS-BORN								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	138	120	162	121	180	111	191	96
Moved from metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	6	6	16	18	6	*	*	..
Interstate	9	11	26	10	12	*	*	44
Total	15	17	42	28	18	*	*	44
Moved to metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	4	4	15	8	13	*	*	..
Interstate	10	8	22	10	12	*	87	47
Total	15	12	36	18	25	41	100	47
ALL BIRTHPLACES								
Moved within the same metropolitan area	132	124	146	133	172	128	189	112
Moved from metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)	12	10	23	15	16	16	*	..
Interstate	10	12	19	12	13	*	68	57
Total	22	21	42	28	29	30	76	57
Moved to metropolitan area -								
Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)	7	9	20	11	19	18	*	..
Interstate	11	10	21	14	17	17	113	61
Total	18	19	41	25	36	35	129	61

(a) Movers per 1,000 metropolitan population.

TABLE 12. NON-METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES(a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Type of move	State of usual residence -						
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.
AUSTRALIAN-BORN							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	126	101	185	129	173	111	91
Moved from non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	12	24	18	26	44	12	*
Interstate	20	15	23	12	13	18	165
Total	32	39	40	38	57	30	202
Moved to non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	19	23	19	30	44	11	*
Interstate	15	15	24	10	11	15	147
Total	34	37	43	40	55	25	170
OVERSEAS-BORN							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	121	44	191	137	169	111	*
Moved from non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	18	*	21	45	65	*	*
Interstate	29	*	41	*	*	*	*
Total	46	39	62	59	70	*	*
Moved to non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	26	40	22	101	30	*	*
Interstate	*	*	43	*	*	58	*
Total	37	54	64	126	39	68	*
ALL BIRTHPLACES							
Moved within the same non-metropolitan area	126	94	186	130	172	111	95
Moved from non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (to metropolitan area)	13	24	18	29	48	12	*
Interstate	21	15	25	12	11	19	140
Total	34	39	43	41	60	32	181
Moved to non-metropolitan area -							
Intrastate (from metropolitan area)	20	25	20	41	41	11	*
Interstate	14	14	26	13	11	19	135
Total	34	39	46	54	52	30	153

(a) Movers per 1,000 non-metropolitan population.

TABLE 13. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

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Age group (years)	Moved Intrastate					Moved Interstate					Total
	Within metro- politan area	Within non- metro- politan area	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan area	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan area	Total	Between metro- politan areas	Between non- metro- politan areas	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan areas	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan areas	Total	
Males -											
15 - 19	46.8	29.1	5.6	7.7	89.2	*	2.7	*	*	9.1	98.3
20 - 24	104.4	69.2	8.4	10.2	192.3	5.2	4.8	3.5	4.0	17.5	209.8
25 - 29	108.2	56.1	8.1	7.4	179.8	7.7	4.4	3.3	5.6	21.1	200.9
30 - 34	72.4	42.6	6.5	5.6	127.0	5.2	*	*	3.5	12.3	139.3
35 - 44	84.8	45.4	8.6	6.3	145.1	6.9	5.4	3.1	*	17.7	162.8
45 - 54	37.5	23.1	4.4	*	67.1	*	*	*	*	5.3	72.4
55 - 64	23.4	18.1	4.3	*	47.2	*	*	*	*	4.0	51.2
65 and over	16.5	8.5	*	*	28.0	*	*	*	*	3.2	31.2
Total	494.1	292.0	47.6	42.1	875.7	30.4	21.7	17.1	21.0	90.2	965.9
Females -											
15 - 19	62.2	35.8	4.8	8.1	110.9	*	*	*	3.7	9.3	120.2
20 - 24	135.9	70.2	10.9	10.6	227.6	8.3	5.6	3.7	7.4	25.0	252.5
25 - 29	102.3	50.8	9.1	6.5	168.6	8.3	3.0	*	3.8	16.8	185.4
30 - 34	61.2	27.5	6.0	4.7	99.4	7.3	*	3.5	*	14.2	113.6
35 - 44	73.6	39.8	8.4	6.5	128.3	6.4	3.6	3.4	*	15.9	144.2
45 - 54	30.5	20.2	4.2	*	55.7	*	*	*	*	7.0	62.7
55 - 64	23.2	13.8	4.2	*	43.0	*	*	*	*	3.7	46.7
65 and over	22.2	11.6	*	*	37.6	*	*	*	*	4.2	41.8
Total	511.1	269.5	49.6	40.8	871.0	37.7	18.7	17.2	22.5	96.1	967.2
Persons -											
15 - 19	108.9	64.8	10.4	15.8	200.0	4.2	5.0	3.5	5.7	18.5	218.5
20 - 24	240.4	139.4	19.3	20.8	419.9	13.5	10.4	7.2	11.3	42.5	462.3
25 - 29	210.4	106.9	17.2	13.9	348.4	15.9	7.4	5.1	9.5	37.9	386.3
30 - 34	133.6	70.0	12.5	10.3	226.5	12.5	3.9	5.0	5.0	26.5	252.9
35 - 44	158.4	85.1	17.0	12.8	273.4	13.3	9.0	6.5	4.7	33.6	306.9
45 - 54	68.0	43.3	8.6	2.9	122.8	4.2	2.7	*	3.1	12.3	135.1
55 - 64	46.6	31.9	8.6	3.2	90.3	*	*	*	*	7.7	98.0
65 and over	38.7	20.1	3.6	3.2	65.6	2.7	*	*	*	7.4	73.0
Total	1,005.1	561.6	97.2	82.9	1,746.8	68.1	40.4	34.3	43.5	186.3	1,933.1

TABLE 14. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY BIRTHPLACE BY YEAR OF ARRIVAL, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

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Birthplace, year of arrival	Moved Intrastate					Moved Interstate					Total (a)
	Within metro- politan area	Within non- metro- politan area	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan area	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan area	Total	Between metro- politan areas	Between non- metro- politan areas	From metro- politan to non- metro- politan areas	From non- metro- politan to metro- politan areas	Total	
Born in Australia	687.8	490.7	78.2	67.7	1,324.4	47.1	35.5	26.4	34.4	143.4	1,467.8
Born outside Australia -											
Arrived before 1965	73.6	26.4	7.0	7.4	114.4	5.6	*	2.9	2.9	13.4	127.8
Arrived 1965 - 1974	114.1	22.5	8.4	4.4	149.4	7.3	*	3.6	3.1	15.5	164.9
Arrived 1975 - 1984	129.4	22.1	3.6	3.4	158.5	8.1	*	*	3.0	13.9	172.3
Total overseas-born	317.4	70.9	19.0	15.2	422.4	21.0	4.9	7.8	9.1	42.9	465.4
Total	1,005.1	561.6	97.2	82.9	1,746.8	68.1	40.4	34.3	43.5	186.3	1,933.1

(a) Corresponding mobility rates were: Australian-born, 169 per 1,000 population; overseas-born, 97, 173, 286 and 162 respectively; total all birthplaces, 167.

TABLE 15. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

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Reason for moving	Moved Intrastate					Moved Interstate					Total
	Within metro-politan area	Within non-metro-politan area	From metro-politan to non-metro-politan area	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan area	Total	Between metro-politan areas	Between non-metro-politan areas	From metro-politan to non-metro-politan areas	From non-metro-politan to metro-politan areas	Total	
Housing -											
Larger house	152.6	63.3	4.2	*	220.9	*	*	*	*	*	221.4
Smaller house	28.0	12.0	*	*	40.9	*	*	*	*	*	41.1
Cheaper house	69.0	40.2	4.7	*	114.7	*	*	*	*	*	116.6
To buy own home	171.6	86.0	4.4	*	263.1	*	*	*	*	*	265.4
Location	99.8	39.7	7.8	2.7	149.9	*	*	*	*	3.5	153.5
Other	163.7	73.4	6.2	*	244.5	*	*	*	*	*	246.9
Total(a)	651.9	296.8	25.1	6.4	980.2	3.9	3.1	*	*	10.3	990.4
Employment -											
Moved with same employer	8.0	29.6	11.2	12.7	61.5	14.9	4.8	3.2	7.0	30.0	91.5
To begin new job	14.5	36.1	15.0	15.0	80.6	12.0	5.4	5.0	6.9	29.3	109.9
To look for work	5.8	16.7	*	15.2	40.2	4.9	8.9	2.8	8.5	25.1	65.3
To transfer or establish own business	12.2	15.8	8.8	3.2	39.9	3.8	*	*	*	7.3	47.2
Other	12.5	8.5	*	*	24.9	*	*	*	*	4.8	29.7
Total	53.0	106.7	39.2	48.2	247.2	38.1	21.6	12.8	24.0	96.5	343.7
Transport	25.7	8.4	*	*	36.1	*	*	*	*	*	36.3
Marital status change	89.7	50.0	4.6	5.5	149.8	3.5	*	*	*	9.2	159.0
Retirement	3.6	7.8	4.6	*	17.9	*	*	*	*	4.2	22.1
Other	181.3	91.8	23.3	19.2	315.6	22.0	13.5	15.2	15.2	65.9	381.6
Total	1,005.1	561.6	97.2	82.9	1,746.8	68.1	40.4	34.3	43.5	186.3	1,933.1

(a) Total persons whose main reason for moving was 'housing'. Note that this total is not the sum of the components as respondents to the survey were permitted to nominate more than one reason in the 'housing' category.

TABLE 16. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE : YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

State of usual residence at 30 June 1985	Year ended -						
	30 June 1979	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)
NUMBER ('000)							
New South Wales	519.8	538.8	561.4	505.2	536.1	561.5	575.4
Victoria	373.0	374.5	382.5	369.4	383.4	437.7	395.2
Queensland	254.9	287.1	306.7	303.9	292.6	336.0	343.5
South Australia	114.2	130.5	123.5	127.4	113.9	141.8	155.4
Western Australia	143.1	165.7	161.0	165.1	166.5	193.2	199.2
Tasmania	40.4	43.4	43.1	35.8	38.8	42.4	43.2
Northern Territory	9.0	13.6	17.5	18.0	15.4	16.3	16.2
Australian Capital Territory	19.5	17.8	18.9	18.3	22.2	21.9	18.8
Total Australia	1,473.9	1,571.5	1,614.6	1,543.2	1,568.9	1,750.7	1,746.8
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
New South Wales	142	144	148	131	136	140	142
Victoria	133	132	133	126	129	144	130
Queensland	166	182	186	179	168	186	187
South Australia	120	135	127	130	114	139	151
Western Australia	165	184	178	177	173	196	197
Tasmania	135	141	139	113	122	132	131
Northern Territory	136	186	224	213	180	187	173
Australian Capital Territory	135	117	124	120	138	131	108
Total Australia	143	149	150	141	140	153	151

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.
 (b) Movers per 1,000 State population.

TABLE 17. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE : AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Age group (years)	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
NUMBER ('000)									
Males									
15 - 19	27.1	20.6	20.0	8.2	9.3	2.1	*	1.0	89.2
20 - 24	61.2	41.4	37.9	18.3	23.8	5.8	1.6	2.3	192.3
25 - 29	61.8	38.3	32.8	15.1	22.6	4.2	2.6	2.4	179.8
30 - 34	42.1	28.3	23.9	11.3	15.0	3.1	1.9	1.3	127.0
35 - 44	45.7	35.5	29.4	12.2	16.5	3.1	1.4	1.3	145.1
45 - 54	22.4	13.4	14.8	6.9	7.0	1.4	*	*	67.1
55 - 64	16.0	12.4	9.1	3.3	4.9	1.4	*	*	47.2
65 and over	9.8	6.2	6.3	2.4	2.3	1.0	*	*	28.0
Total	286.1	196.1	174.2	77.7	101.3	22.1	9.2	9.0	875.7
Females									
15 - 19	34.1	22.7	24.7	10.8	13.2	3.2	*	1.6	110.9
20 - 24	74.8	53.1	44.0	19.8	24.9	5.7	2.6	2.6	227.6
25 - 29	57.5	41.7	28.4	13.6	19.9	3.9	1.5	2.1	168.6
30 - 34	29.8	23.9	18.9	9.1	13.0	2.5	*	1.2	99.4
35 - 44	41.9	31.2	25.3	11.6	13.8	2.4	*	1.7	128.3
45 - 54	20.2	9.3	13.3	4.9	5.6	1.5	*	*	55.7
55 - 64	16.0	10.6	6.5	4.1	4.5	1.2	*	*	43.0
65 and over	14.9	6.7	8.2	3.8	3.0	*	*	*	37.4
Total	289.3	199.1	169.3	77.7	97.8	21.1	7.0	9.7	871.0
Persons									
15 - 19	61.2	43.2	44.6	19.0	22.5	5.3	1.6	2.5	200.0
20 - 24	136.0	94.5	81.9	38.1	48.7	11.5	4.2	4.9	419.9
25 - 29	119.4	80.0	61.2	28.7	42.4	8.2	4.1	4.4	348.4
30 - 34	71.9	52.2	42.9	20.4	28.1	5.6	2.9	2.5	226.5
35 - 44	87.7	66.7	54.6	23.8	30.2	5.5	1.7	3.0	273.4
45 - 54	42.6	22.7	28.1	11.8	12.6	2.8	1.4	*	122.8
55 - 64	32.0	22.9	15.6	7.4	9.4	2.6	*	*	90.3
65 and over	24.6	13.0	14.5	6.2	5.3	1.7	*	*	65.6
Total	575.4	395.2	343.5	155.4	199.2	43.2	16.2	18.8	1,746.8
MOBILITY RATES(a)									
Males									
15 - 19	129	120	190	146	158	111	*	88	140
20 - 24	281	242	372	331	409	307	269	219	301
25 - 29	290	238	327	278	381	233	358	248	289
30 - 34	203	182	249	216	256	182	274	127	210
35 - 44	121	128	170	133	164	105	121	69	134
45 - 54	81	65	123	104	102	65	*	*	87
55 - 64	63	66	83	50	87	69	*	*	67
65 and over	43	37	61	38	48	54	*	*	44
Total	144	131	191	154	200	136	185	107	154
Females									
15 - 19	165	137	238	202	229	176	*	149	178
20 - 24	341	311	430	355	433	302	429	250	355
25 - 29	268	254	283	250	348	218	220	194	270
30 - 34	143	149	196	173	226	151	*	105	163
35 - 44	113	113	149	128	144	83	*	87	121
45 - 54	76	47	116	74	86	72	*	*	74
55 - 64	61	54	60	59	82	60	*	*	60
65 and over	48	31	62	46	51	*	*	*	45
Total	140	129	183	148	194	127	158	109	149
Persons									
15 - 19	147	128	214	173	193	143	136	118	159
20 - 24	311	277	401	343	421	304	350	234	328
25 - 29	279	247	305	264	365	225	291	220	279
30 - 34	173	165	222	194	241	167	209	116	186
35 - 44	117	120	160	130	154	94	81	78	128
45 - 54	78	56	120	89	94	68	129	*	81
55 - 64	62	60	72	55	84	64	*	*	63
65 and over	46	34	61	43	49	39	*	*	44
Total	142	130	187	151	197	131	173	108	151

(a) Movers per 1,000 State population of the same age group.

TABLE 18. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

Age group (years)	Year ended -						
	30 June 1979	30 June 1980	31 May 1981	30 June 1982(a)	30 June 1983(a)	30 June 1984(a)	30 June 1985(a)
NUMBER ('000)							
15 - 19	20.6	18.6	20.0	22.6	18.5	14.6	18.5
20 - 24	49.8	45.6	45.8	55.6	44.1	42.7	42.5
25 - 29	(57.3	(65.1	(62.3	39.7	38.8	33.4	37.9
30 - 34	(	(	(	31.3	23.6	19.7	26.5
35 - 44	24.7	26.2	27.3	30.8	27.3	27.2	33.6
45 - 54	9.9	11.1	13.4	12.5	7.9	10.1	12.3
55 - 64	9.0	10.9	13.7	10.9	5.8	9.3	7.7
65 and over	7.8	8.2	11.4	4.9	6.7	8.7	7.4
Total	179.2	185.6	193.8	208.3	172.5	165.7	186.3
MOBILITY RATES(b)							
15 - 19	17	15	16	19	15	12	15
20 - 24	43	38	37	44	34	35	33
25 - 29	(26	(29	(27	34	33	27	30
30 - 34	(	(	(	27	19	16	22
35 - 44	15	15	16	16	13	13	16
45 - 54	7	7	9	8	5	7	8
55 - 64	7	8	10	8	4	7	5
65 and over	6	6	9	4	5	6	5
Total	17	18	18	19	15	15	16

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.
 (b) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 19. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

State of usual residence at 30 June 1985	State of usual residence at 30 June 1984 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
New South Wales	..	15.2	19.9	3.2	*	*	*	6.4	49.0
Victoria	14.8	..	10.7	3.2	3.0	*	*	*	34.3
Queensland	23.8	10.7	..	*	2.3	3.3	*	*	44.4
South Australia	4.2	2.7	2.4	..	1.5	*	2.9	*	14.4
Western Australia	5.1	4.3	2.7	2.2	..	*	*	*	16.0
Tasmania	1.7	1.3	1.7	*	*	..	*	*	5.9
Northern Territory	3.2	2.6	*	1.1	2.2	*	..	*	11.4
Australian Capital Territory	5.5	1.5	2.3	*	*	*	*	..	10.8
Total Australia	58.3	38.2	41.3	12.5	12.7	5.7	8.1	9.6	186.3

TABLE 20. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

Age group (years)	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
NUMBER ('000)									
Moved into State -									
15 - 19	4.2	3.2	4.9	2.0	1.5	*	*	1.5	18.5
20 - 24	12.8	7.9	8.7	2.9	4.3	1.0	2.2	2.6	42.5
25 - 29	10.3	7.5	7.5	3.4	2.8	1.0	3.3	2.1	37.9
30 - 34	8.0	5.7	4.6	1.9	1.8	1.4	1.7	1.4	26.5
35 - 44	7.3	6.6	8.2	2.6	3.5	1.6	1.9	1.9	33.6
45 - 54	*	*	4.8	*	*	*	*	*	12.3
55 - 64	*	*	3.2	*	*	*	*	*	7.7
65 and over	*	*	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	7.4
Total Persons	49.0	34.3	44.4	14.4	16.0	5.9	11.4	10.8	186.3
Males	23.4	16.3	21.8	6.9	7.6	2.9	6.3	4.8	90.2
Females	25.6	18.0	22.6	7.4	8.4	3.0	5.1	6.0	96.1
Moved out of State -									
15 - 19	6.3	4.1	3.7	*	*	*	*	*	18.5
20 - 24	11.9	9.0	10.3	2.1	3.4	*	*	*	42.5
25 - 29	10.6	7.0	9.9	2.4	3.1	*	2.0	*	37.9
30 - 34	7.5	5.0	5.8	2.4	2.3	*	*	*	26.5
35 - 44	12.3	6.1	6.8	2.4	2.2	*	*	*	33.6
45 - 54	4.8	3.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	12.3
55 - 64	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.7
65 and over	2.3	1.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.4
Total Persons	58.3	38.2	41.3	12.5	12.7	5.7	8.1	9.6	186.3
Males	28.3	17.0	21.7	5.2	6.7	2.5	4.6	4.1	90.2
Females	30.0	21.1	19.6	7.3	6.0	3.2	3.5	5.5	96.1

MOBILITY RATES(a)

Moved into State -									
15 - 19	10	10	23	18	13	*	*	70	15
20 - 24	29	23	42	26	37	27	180	126	33
25 - 29	24	23	37	31	24	27	233	105	30
30 - 34	19	18	24	18	15	40	119	65	22
35 - 44	10	12	24	14	18	27	90	48	16
45 - 54	*	*	20	*	*	*	*	*	8
55 - 64	*	*	15	*	*	*	*	*	5
65 and over	*	*	11	*	*	*	*	*	5
Total Persons	12	11	24	14	16	18	122	62	16
Males	12	11	24	14	15	18	128	57	16
Females	12	12	24	14	17	18	115	67	16
Moved out of State -									
15 - 19	15	12	18	*	*	*	*	*	15
20 - 24	27	26	50	19	29	*	*	*	33
25 - 29	25	22	49	23	27	*	154	*	30
30 - 34	18	16	30	23	20	*	*	*	22
35 - 44	16	11	20	13	11	*	*	*	16
45 - 54	9	7	*	*	*	*	*	*	8
55 - 64	5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5
65 and over	4	5	*	*	*	*	*	*	5
Total Persons	14	13	23	12	13	17	89	56	16
Males	14	11	24	10	13	16	96	49	16
Females	15	14	21	14	12	19	81	62	16

(a) Movers per 1,000 State population of the same age group.

TABLE 21. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

('000)

Type of move and reason for moving	State of usual residence -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
MOVED WITHIN STATE									
Housing -									
Larger house	74.0	59.0	30.3	19.5	26.2	5.2	3.1	3.7	220.9
Smaller house	11.0	11.0	5.3	5.9	3.9	2.5	*	1.1	40.9
Cheaper house	43.4	22.4	20.6	10.3	12.2	3.2	*	1.9	114.7
To buy own home	81.0	64.9	55.0	19.2	29.5	6.2	3.7	3.7	263.1
Location	43.2	37.8	27.9	15.8	17.3	3.6	2.9	1.5	149.9
Other	79.7	51.9	46.7	24.3	31.3	5.7	1.1	3.8	244.5
Total (a)	312.9	235.4	178.9	89.2	114.0	24.4	11.7	13.7	980.2
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	14.7	11.7	20.0	3.3	9.9	1.2	*	*	61.5
To begin new job	24.5	17.0	18.6	5.4	12.7	2.2	*	*	80.6
To look for work	12.6	7.9	11.5	2.8	4.1	1.0	*	*	40.2
To transfer or establish own business	12.0	10.9	8.6	4.0	3.3	0.8	*	*	39.9
Other	8.1	3.6	7.2	2.6	2.9	*	*	*	24.9
Total	72.0	51.0	65.9	18.1	33.0	5.8	*	*	247.2
Transport	13.3	8.9	7.5	2.5	3.3	*	*	*	36.1
Marital status change	49.8	35.3	24.5	15.2	16.7	5.5	1.2	1.6	149.8
Retirement	6.8	2.9	4.3	2.6	*	*	*	*	17.9
Other	120.6	61.5	62.4	27.8	31.1	6.6	2.5	3.1	315.6
Total	575.4	395.2	343.5	155.4	199.2	43.2	16.2	18.8	1,746.8
MOVED INTO STATE									
Housing -									
Larger house)									
Smaller house)									
Cheaper house)									
To buy own home)									
Location)									
Other)									
Total (a))	*	*	3.0	*	1.9	*	*	*	10.3
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	6.6	6.1	6.6	2.7	2.5	1.2	1.6	2.7	30.0
To begin new job	8.6	6.6	4.3	1.8	2.1	1.2	2.2	2.5	29.3
To look for work	7.1	5.4	5.5	2.2	*	*	2.3	*	25.1
To transfer or establish own business	*	*	2.2	*	*	*	*	*	7.3
Other	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.8
Total	26.1	20.3	19.7	7.2	6.8	2.8	7.0	6.6	96.5
Transport	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Marital status change	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.2
Retirement	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.2
Other	16.3	10.1	18.8	5.7	6.4	2.4	3.6	2.7	65.9
Total	49.0	34.3	44.4	14.4	16.0	5.9	11.4	10.8	186.3
MOVED OUT OF STATE									
Housing -									
Larger house)									
Smaller house)									
Cheaper house)									
To buy own home)									
Location)									
Other)									
Total (a))	5.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10.3
Employment -									
Moved with same employer	10.5	7.3	4.4	2.4	2.5	*	*	*	30.0
To begin new job	8.5	6.6	6.8	2.7	*	*	*	*	29.3
To look for work	8.0	3.5	7.3	*	3.0	*	*	*	25.1
To transfer or establish own business	2.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.3
Other	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.8
Total	29.9	21.0	21.6	6.4	7.9	2.6	3.5	3.7	96.5
Transport	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Marital status change	2.2	1.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.2
Retirement	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.2
Other	19.7	12.9	17.1	4.5	3.5	2.6	3.3	2.3	65.9
Total	58.3	38.2	41.3	12.5	12.7	5.7	8.1	9.6	186.3

(a) Total persons whose main reason for moving was 'housing'. Note that this total is not the sum of the components as respondents to the survey were permitted to nominate more than one reason in the "housing" category.

TABLE 22. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER : DURATION OF STAY AT USUAL RESIDENCE OF 30 JUNE 1985 BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE

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Duration of stay at usual residence of 30 June 1985	State of usual residence at 30 June 1985 -								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
Less than 1 year:									
1 - 12 weeks	168.9	102.7	118.1	46.7	64.8	13.4	7.5	9.2	531.2
13 - 25 weeks	178.1	115.3	96.2	41.3	59.0	12.4	8.0	8.7	519.1
26 - 38 weeks	200.4	144.2	117.1	51.0	61.5	15.4	8.4	8.6	606.6
39 - 51 weeks	110.0	87.2	63.3	34.3	37.6	7.3	3.6	3.6	346.9
Total	657.4	449.4	394.7	173.2	223.0	48.5	27.6	30.1	2,003.8
1 - 4 years	1,099.4	803.8	535.4	250.3	294.1	88.1	39.6	45.9	3,156.6
5 - 9 years	767.6	563.2	316.8	170.1	184.8	62.9	16.0	36.9	2,118.2
10 - 14 years	456.5	380.4	205.6	130.1	127.4	41.0	6.1	27.4	1,374.7
15 - 19 years	411.5	315.8	137.2	116.5	77.2	34.5	3.5	17.8	1,113.9
20 - 24 years	256.5	212.5	93.0	74.9	40.9	19.5	2.1	10.0	709.3
25 years or more	446.1	356.2	172.1	123.5	77.2	34.9	*	8.8	1,219.4
Total	4,095.0	3,081.3	1,854.8	1,038.5	1,024.6	329.4	95.4	176.9	11,695.8

APPENDIX

ALL PERSONS WHOSE USUAL RESIDENCE WAS OVERSEAS AT 30 JUNE 1984(a) :
AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 30 JUNE 1985

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Age group (years)	State of usual residence at 30 June 1985								Aust.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	
0 - 4	4.0	4.0	2.3	*	1.6	*	*	*	14.1
5 - 9	5.4	*	2.9	*	*	*	*	*	12.8
10 - 14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	8.4
15 - 19	4.3	4.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	12.3
20 - 24	7.8	4.2	3.7	1.7	2.3	*	*	*	20.0
25 - 29	10.8	7.4	3.6	2.0	2.4	*	*	*	27.6
30 - 34	9.5	5.0	2.8	1.4	1.6	*	*	*	21.6
35 - 44	8.5	7.6	3.5	2.0	2.7	*	*	*	25.6
45 - 54	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.4
55 - 64	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.7
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.6
Total	59.4	43.0	24.1	11.4	15.7	1.4	2.5	3.7	161.2

(a) Non-institutionalised civilians aged 15 years and over with usual residence in Australia at the end of the survey year but who were overseas at the beginning of the survey year, and their dependants aged 0-14 years.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Reliability of the estimates

Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings (or about two thirds of one per cent of the Australian population), they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. These differences are called *sampling errors*. One measure of sampling error is the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the *relative standard error*.

2. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. A table of standard errors for general application to sample estimates is given below in which States denote State of residence at the time of the survey i.e. apply to estimates of movement within or into the State. For movement out of the State, Australian standard errors should be used. The figures will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of past surveys over a wide range of characteristics. However, they will provide an indication of the magnitude of the standard error of any estimate for any particular survey. Estimates relating to children under 15 will generally have standard errors slightly higher than those given in the table. An example of the use of the table is as follows—Table 1 shows that, at the Australian level, the estimated number of persons aged 15-19 who moved was 218,500. since this estimate is between 200,000 and 300,000 in the standard error table, the standard error for Australia will be between 5,000 and 5,800 and can be approximated as 5,100 (rounded to the nearest 100). Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 213,400 to 223,600 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 208,300 to 228,700.

3. As the standard errors in the table below show, *the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error*. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Estimates with a standard error of more than 30 per cent have not been shown in this publication. Although they can in some cases be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable.

4. Proportions and percentages (for example, mobility rates) formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion is given below:

$$RSE (x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE (x)]^2 + [RSE (y)]^2}$$

5. Continuing the example in paragraph 2 above from Table 1 the mobility rate for the 15-19 age group was 173. This figure was derived by dividing the estimated number of movers (218,500) by the estimated population, the total of movers plus non-movers, in the same age group (1,259,500). The standard error of 218,500 is approximately 5,100 so the relative standard error is 23 per thousand. The standard error of 1,259,500 is 9,400, so the relative standard error is 7 per thousand.

Applying the above formula, the relative standard error of the mobility rate (173) is $\sqrt{(23)^2 + (7)^2}$ or 22 per thousand. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the mobility rate of persons aged 15-19 is between 151 per thousand and 195 per thousand and nineteen chances in twenty that the proportion is within the range 129 per thousand and 217 per thousand.

6. Published figures may also be used to estimate the difference between two survey estimates (of numbers or percentages). Such a figure is itself an estimate and is therefore subject to sampling error. The sampling error of the difference between two estimates depends on their standard errors and the relationship (correlation) between them. An approximate standard error (SE) of the difference between two estimates (x-y) may be calculated by the following formula:

$$SE (x-y) = \sqrt{[SE (x)]^2 + [SE (y)]^2}$$

While this formula will only be exact between separate and uncorrelated characteristics or subpopulations it is expected to provide a good approximation for all differences likely to be of interest in this publication.

7. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error* and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

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